January 9, 2017

A meeting of the Council of the City of Martinsville, Virginia was held on January 9, 2017, in Council Chambers, Municipal Building, at 5:00 PM with Mayor Gene Teague presiding. Council Members present included Gene Teague, Jennifer Bowles, Sharon Brooks Hodge, Kathy Lawson and Chad Martin. Staff present included City Manager Leon Towarnicki, Assistant City Manager Wayne Knox, City Attorney Eric Monday, and Clerk of Council Karen Roberts.

Mayor Teague called the meeting to order and advised Council would go into Closed Session beginning at 5:00 PM. In accordance with Section 2.1-344 (A) of the Code of Virginia (1950, and as amended) and upon a motion by Council Member Lawson, seconded by Council Member Hodge, with the following 5-0 recorded vote: Council Member Hodge, ave: Council Member Bowles, aye; Council Member Lawson, aye, Mayor Teague, aye; and Vice Mayor Martin, aye. Council convened in Closed Session to discuss the following matters: Discussion of the award of a public contract involving the expenditure of public funds, including interview of bidders or offerors, and discussion of the terms or scope of such contract, where discussion in an open session would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body, as authorized by Subsection 29, and (B) Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members, attorneys or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, or other specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel, as authorized by Subsection 7. At the conclusion of Closed Session at 6:20pm, each returning member of Council certified that (1) only public business matters exempt from open meeting requirements were discussed in said Closed Session; and (2) only those business matters identified in the motion convening the Closed Session were heard, discussed, or considered during the Session. A motion was made by Hodge, seconded by Lawson, with the following 5-0 recorded vote in favor to return to Open Session: Council Member Bowles, aye; Council Member Lawson, aye; Council Member Hodge, aye; Mayor Teague, aye; and Vice Mayor Martin, aye.

There being no further business, Council Member Bowles made the motion to adjourn the meeting, motion was seconded by Council Member Hodge with all Council Members voting in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:25pm.

Karen Roberts	Gene Teague	_
Clerk of Council	Mayor	